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NORFOLK, VIRGINIA

**Resolution No. 1854**

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING A DECLARATION OF A  
STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY MADE BY THE  
DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FOR THE  
CITY OF NORFOLK, VIRGINIA, PURSUANT TO  
VIRGINIA CODE SECTION 44-146.21, DUE TO THE  
HAZARDS AND DAMAGES OF THE WINTER STORM.

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WHEREAS, the National Weather Service recognized the  
danger to coastal residents of Virginia from the Winter Storm  
for which the National Weather Service issued a Winter Storm  
Watch beginning January 28, 2022, which included the City of  
Norfolk;

WHEREAS, Virginia Code Section 44-146.21 provides  
authority for a political subdivision such as the City of  
Norfolk to declare a State of Local Emergency and protect the  
health and safety of persons and property and provide emergency  
assistance to the victims of such disaster, and proceed without  
regard to time-consuming procedures and formalities prescribed  
by law (except mandatory constitutional requirements) pertaining  
to the performance of public work, entering into contracts,  
incurring of obligations, employment of temporary workers,

rental of equipment, purchase of supplies and materials, and other expenditures of public funds; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Norfolk:

Section 1:- That the Norfolk City Council recognizes that the Winter Storm posed a serious threat to the lives and property of residents of the City of Norfolk, Virginia, and hereby confirms and ratifies the declaration of a State of Local Emergency made by the Director of Emergency Management for the City of Norfolk on January 28, 2022, at 12:00 PM, for all territory within the legal boundaries of the City of Norfolk, Virginia.

Section 2:- That the Norfolk City Council hereby exercises its authority to take any actions necessary and permitted by Virginia Code Section 44-146.21 and to waive the procedures and formalities required by law of a political subdivision, as provided in Virginia Code Section 44-146.21.

Section 3:- That the Norfolk City Council hereby declares that a State of Local Emergency for the Winter Storm remained in effect until January 30, 2022, at 8:30 AM.

Section 4:- That this resolution shall be in effect from the date of its adoption.

Adopted by Council February 8, 2022  
Effective February 8, 2022

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TESTE:

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RICHARD ALLAN BULL

BY:

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CHIEF DEPUTY CITY CLERK

## DECLARATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY CITY OF NORFOLK

I, the undersigned, as Director of Emergency Management for the City of Norfolk, find the imminent threat of severe weather and loss or interruption of vital City services posed by the Winter Storm for which the National Weather Service issued a Winter Storm Watch beginning January 28, 2022, to be of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant coordinated local government action to prevent or alleviate any potential damage, loss, hardship or suffering. Therefore, pursuant to Section 44-146.21 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, and pursuant to authorization and consent of the City Council, I hereby declare the existence of a Local Emergency in the City of Norfolk, effective as of the date and time below.

In accordance with this Declaration, the Office of Emergency Management and all other appropriate City agencies and employees are hereby vested with, and are authorized to carry out, all powers, duties and functions prescribed by State and local law, rules, regulations and plans as may be necessary to adequately and appropriately respond to said Local Emergency.



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City Manager  
Director of Emergency Management

January 28, 2022      12:00pm  
Date and Time